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WORKPLACE INJURY

Labour ministry dropped charges in accident now probed by OPP

Ryan Tumilty
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The Ontario Ministry of Labour dropped charges against the city and its police board last week over a 2014 Ottawa police training accident that is now at the centre of an OPP investigation.

The ministry initially filed workplace charges against the city and the Ottawa Police Services Board for "failure to take every reasonable precaution" following the 2014 incident, in which two paramedics and several officers were badly hurt.

The training incident involved officers' use of an explosive device.

The charges against the city were dropped earlier, but a labour ministry representative confirmed to Metro the charges against the board were stayed just last week.

The province's Special Investigations Unit (SIU), which probes incidents involving police that result in serious injury, criminally charged three Ottawa officers over their handling of the explosive device, but those charges were also stayed.

On Monday, Ottawa Police Chief Charles Bordeleau asked the OPP to look into the incident after receiving a letter from Michael Edelson, a lawyer for one of the officers investigated by the SIU.

Bordeleau did not discuss the content of the letter, but Metro has learned that it suggested senior members of the Ottawa Police Service gave misleading information to the SIU.

The OPP agreed to take on that investigation Tuesday.

OPP spokesperson Sgt. Peter Leon confirmed the force was launching an investigation but could not say how long it would take.

"We will certainly carry out a thorough and detailed investigation," he said. "At this point it's very much in the beginning phase and the investigation will take as long as it takes."

The letter also copied Attorney General and Minister of Community Safety Yasir Naqvi and Correctional Services Minister Marie-France Lalonde.

Lalonde's press secretary Yanni Dagonas confirmed they had received the letter but had no comment.

"The minister cannot direct the OPP, and it would be inappropriate to comment on an ongoing investigation."

Senators' Marc Methot and goalie Craig Anderson react after New York Rangers' Rick Nash scored a goal on Tuesday in New York.
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Ethics committee recommends expulsion for Sen. Don Meredith. **Canada**

Councillors vote to scrap tax breaks on vacancies

PROPERTY OWNERS

Rebate was mandated by province until earlier this year

Haley Ritchie
Metro | Ottawa

A sign on Metcalfe Street in downtown Ottawa advertises vacant retail space. The overall vacancy rate in Ottawa is currently 11 per cent. HALEY RITCHIE/METRO

City councillors have voted to end a property-tax break enjoyed by landlords whose buildings have vacancies.

Last year, commercial and industrial property owners in Ottawa submitted 920 applications for the rebate. The cost to municipal taxpayers was $17 million.

City staff had recommended that the program, which until recently was mandated by the Ontario government, be phased out over three years in order to give property owners time to adjust.

At Tuesday's meeting of the city's finance and economic development committee, however, councillors voted to end the rebate program in 2018.

Property owners who benefit from the program were disappointed.

Dean Karakasi, representing the Building Owners and Managers Association, said the change "will have a negative impact on industry."

Karakasi said property owners are struggling because of federal government cutbacks and the ongoing rise of online retailers, whose businesses require relatively little commercial space.

"This is not a good time in terms of industry," said Karakasi.

"This was a nice partnership with the city in terms of transitioning space."

Several people presenting to the committee expressed hope that the end of the program will motivate landlords to find tenants for vacant properties.

Coun. David Chernushenko said landlords in some areas are being too choosy with tenants, to the "overall detriment to the street health of the retail environment."

Karakasi said the idea that landlords are forgoing leases so as to realize a 30 per cent of their tax break is "absurd."

"It may happen, there may be examples, but we can't quantify them," he said.

"But, overall, why would anybody want to pay a dollar so they get 30 cents back?"

Other Ontario municipalities, including Toronto and Prince Edward County, plan to cut the rebate program as well.

The final decision on the program will be made at city council on May 10.

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CARLING AVENUE

Close 417 on-ramp: Report

Alex Abdelwahab
Metro | Ottawa

A new report on the planned widening of Highway 417 between Maitland Avenue and Island Park Drive recommends closing an on-ramp at Carling Avenue.

The Transportation Environmental Study notes the Highway 417 Carling Avenue interchange has two eastbound on-ramps, which it says is "atypical for a freeway interchange."

It recommends permanently closing the on-ramp near Westgate Shopping Centre, used by westbound traffic on Carling Avenue to access the eastbound lane of the highway.

Construction is set to begin this summer to widen a three-kilometre stretch of Highway 417 between Maitland Avenue and Island Park Drive. The highway will go from three lanes in each direction to four.

The report notes: "The planned widening will result in operational and safety issues" because of "a significantly substandard merge condition" for the Carling Avenue eastbound on-ramp, east of Kirkwood Avenue.

The public can provide comments on the plan until May 27.

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FEDERAL FUNDING

Algonquin getting massive data centre

Ottawa startups and enterprises may find it easier to harness the power of big data to grow their businesses after Algonquin College announced Tuesday it's building a Data Analytics Centre with the help of federal government funding.

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) is providing $2.3 million over five years to Algonquin through its College and Community Innovation program. The funding is part of a total of $37.4 million announced Tuesday for college initiatives across Canada. Algonquin College's funding was among the highest amounts, matched by five other projects.

$2.3M

Amount Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) is providing over 5 years to Algonquin College through College and Community Innovation program.

The big data centre is meant to provide students and partner businesses with access to machine learning analytics, data mining and artificial intelligence resources.

Algonquin's application to NSERC was supported by numerous local partners, including Mitel, Gymtrack, Invest Ottawa, the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario, the University of Ottawa and Carleton University.

"The CCI program is uniquely positioned to connect colleges with industry partners, allowing companies to access state-of-the-art facilities and applied research expertise that help accelerate product development and validation, and train the next generation of talent for the 21st-century job market," said NSERC's vice-president of research partnerships Bettina Hamelin in a statement.

"In every business, having a strong understanding of your data and using it to better serve your clients is becoming increasingly important, and we want to ensure our learners are equipped for success when they enter the workforce," said Algonquin College President Cheryl Jensen in a statement.

The hub will be housed inside the school's Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Learning Centre.

Carleton University received $95,000 over two years in a partnership with Humber College to explore drinking water treatment through biofiltration.

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Students and businesses will be able to use the new hub for research. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The proposal would reduce Elgin to two lanes to make room for wider sidewalks. CONTRIBUTED/CITY OF OTTAWA

Elgin Street redesign leaves cyclists upset

TRANSIT

Bike advocates say safety an issue with no separate lanes

Tamar Harris
For Metro | Ottawa

A cycling advocacy group is calling the Elgin Street redesign a "missed opportunity."

The proposal, which the Ottawa transportation committee will consider on Wednesday, includes a speed-limit reduction to 30 km/h, wider sidewalks and raised intersections. The number of on-street parking spaces would also fall, from 122 to 90, and flexible street space, for parking and patio use, would be added.

Bike Ottawa says the proposal fails to provide safe biking infrastructure.

"If you want to have a mass uptake of cycling — which is what you need in a dense city core; there's only room for so many cars downtown — you really need to provide a grid of safe, protected infrastructure," said Heather Shearer, vice-president of Bike Ottawa.

> **"This was an opportunity that was missed."**
> Heather Shearer

"And on Elgin, this was an opportunity that was missed, to link up some of our existing streets and start creating that grid."

The city has said that there's not enough room on Elgin for segregated bike lanes and that the proposed 30 km/h speed limit reduction is in part for cyclists benefit.

But Shearer said that's not enough.

"If you look at the graphics the city has posted, you see an image of a cyclist with a bus behind him," she said, "and that's just not a situation very many people are comfortable in."

Shearer added that drivers in shared lanes end up waiting for cyclists. She said that segregated bike lanes, which would give everyone a "place where they belong," would help traffic flow better.

"In other words, Elgin Street is not going to help people get on their bikes who are currently nervous about mingling with traffic," Shearer said.

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CONSTRUCTION

Gas leak caused by transit contractor

A gas leak that forced road closures, major traffic delays and evacuations downtown on Tuesday afternoon was caused by a subcontractor on the Confederation Line LRT project.

Kathryn Keyes, a spokesperson for LRT contractor the Rideau Transit Group, said it appears that an excavator struck a four-inch gas pipe.

"We are doing the work as part of the Queen Street streetscaping and one of our subcontractors was working and came in contact with a gas main."

The LRT tunnel was also evacuated during the incident, but Keyes said the work was happening above ground.

At its peak, the evacuations covered a large swath of downtown, from O'Connor to Elgin and Wellington to Albert.

Late on Tuesday afternoon, most of those closures had ended and the gas had been turned off.

RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

Playoffs put stress on fans

PATIENTS

High-stakes games can impact your health: Doctor

Ryan Tumilty
Metro | Ottawa

A late loss in double overtime might literally break your heart, according to an Ottawa physician.

Dr. Elizabeth Shouldice, an emergency-room doctor AT Ottawa's Queensway-Carleton Hospital, said that heart attacks and other major stress-related health issues can be brought on by the vicissitudes of the NHL playoffs — though such cases are rare.

"I have seen several patients come in related to their favourite team," she said. "I have seen a couple patients need cardiac monitoring."

When online ticket seller StubHub asked Canadians to report their stress levels during playoff hockey, 37 per cent of Ottawans said that watching games was taking an emotional toll.

Oh, sure, this part's fun, but think about how you feel when they lose. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

"When the games are ongoing and we have patients in the department, you can see patients who are having stress responses to the games," Shouldice said. "It's usually hockey in Ottawa. The Blue Jays last year were really stressful for people."

She said that people need to bear in mind the long-term impacts of such a potentially long-term ordeal as an extended NHL playoff run.

"I fully expect the Ottawa Senators to be playing well into June, and we need to pace ourselves," she said.

She said that, during the playoffs, viewers might have a few more drinks than they normally would, miss out on sleep and alter their diets.

"If you're suddenly having a lot of nachos and wings, than that's something you have to keep a close eye on," she said.

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> Dr. Elizabeth Shouldice

And if you do find yourself yelling at the television or throwing things around your living room over a missed call, Shouldice recommends it might be time step back.

"If you're really finding the stress is making you behave in ways you wouldn't normally, then perhaps it's time to turn off the game or talk to your family doctor."

She said technology can be a friend to the emotionally afflicted fan.

"Put the game on pause, 'cause we can all do that now."

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SENIORS

Local boomers look to reinvent co-habitation

Drew May
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A group in Ottawa has sent a letter to builders in an effort to get a new form of senior living off the ground in Ottawa.

It's called co-housing.

Tim Brodhead, one of the members of the Ottawa-based Convivium Cohousing for Seniors, said co-housing lets people keep their independence, by living separately, while sharing some spaces.

"It's up to members to decide what shared space they want," Brodhead said.

"Typically it would include cooking and dining facilities, a lounge… or a tool room."

Brodhead said Convivium expects to hear back from builders by the end of the month and afterwards they will move forward with plans to build.

There are 40 people currently signed up and a waiting list for others, he said.

"I think by and large the boomer generation is used to doing things its own way," he said.

"I think the response is to say, 'Well, let's create a model that works for us, and it's going to be different from what has existed up until now."

Larry Chambers, a professor of medicine at the University of Ottawa, said co-housing could be a way to keep seniors out of long-term-care residences.

He said he was encouraged on this front by the recent provincial budget, which includes $58 million increase in long-term-care spending.

"There has to be more creativity in options for people who become frail and need support," he said.

"They don't need to be imprisoned in a long-term-care home."

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FRANCE

Former prof kept in jail

A recommendation that former Ottawa professor Hassan Diab be released from a jail in France has been overturned for the sixth time.

The latest decision came from the French Court of Appeal on Tuesday morning, according to Roger Clark, a member of the Hassan Diab Support Committee.

Diab, who has been in French jail since 2014 while being investigated for terrorism charges, was recommended for release by French judicial investigators last week, but the prosecutor in the case appealed the decision.

Diab's lawyer, Donald Bayne, and his family called on the federal government last week to intervene with the French government to secure Diab's release.

Clark said the decision means Diab will remain in jail at least until the next release recommendation.

"We need to step up the pressure even more on the federal government because clearly nothing is going to happen at the French end," he said.

DREW MAY/METRO

Corey Fleischer, the owner of a Montreal power washing company, is hoping to expand what he calls his 'Erasing Hate' movement. ALLAN WOODS/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Cleaning up the hate

WAGE LOVE!

Montreal man makes his life's work to remove hate graffiti

Corey Fleischer was driving between jobs in a truck that holds his power-washing tools and various jugs of chemicals when he spotted two swastikas and the letters 'KKK' spray-painted along the side of a Montreal fruit company's delivery van.

Others in his situation might have driven on, if they had even noticed the graffiti at all. He had done just that for most of his life.

But on this day, more than two years ago, Fleischer pulled over and asked if he could remove the offensive symbols, which had appeared a few weeks earlier. The owner was reluctant and said he would do it himself — but later.

Fleischer wasn't happy.

"I took my truck and barricaded him in. I said 'Now you're going nowhere,'" he recounted.

Fleischer explained to the driver that what he was about to do was free-of-charge. Ten minutes later, the graffiti was gone.

On Dec. 5, 2014, he posted the before-and-after pictures of the van to his Instagram accounts. More significantly, it was one of the first times he had gone public with his growing obsession.

Since then, he estimates having erased many hundreds of markings. Now he says he is hoping to expand what he calls his "Erasing Hate" movement to Toronto by taking in reports of hateful graffiti in Canada's largest city and ensuring one way or another that it is removed promptly.

What drives Fleischer? He is Jewish, but not particularly religious. He pursued a Women's Studies degree at Brock University in St. Catharines, Ont., but admits his real passion was playing varsity hockey.

But he does seem to have a singular sense of outrage when people are picked on or singled out for their faith, sexuality or skin colour. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

CONTROVERSY

Sajjan pulls out of fundraiser for veterans

Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan on Tuesday bowed out of an annual fundraising event originally set up for veterans of the war in Afghanistan, an event whose main beneficiaries include military personnel returning from combat.

He is pressing ahead with a major speech on Wednesday to industry and military experts that is expected to address the Liberals' much-anticipated defence policy.

The embattled minister had been scheduled to speak at the 8th annual "To the 'Stan and Back" event at Ottawa City Hall on Tuesday. But founder Cheri Elliott said she was told at the last minute that a scheduling conflict had arisen and he would not be able to attend.

"The official reason for his not being able to attend is he was asked to be elsewhere at the time. That is what I was told," said Elliott, who is the mother of a serving Canadian Forces member. The minister's office would not reveal the nature of the scheduling conflict.

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SENATE

Committee recommends expelling Meredith

Disgraced Sen. Don Meredith should be expelled from Canada's upper chamber for his sexual affair with a teenage girl, which constitutes "one of the most egregious breaches" of a senator's role and the public trust, according to a report tabled Tuesday.

The Senate's ethics committee made the possibly precedent-setting ruling after its sixth meeting on Meredith's affair earlier Tuesday.

"He has abused his privileged position of authority and trust by engaging in behaviour that is incompatible with his office," the report reads.

"He has brought disrepute to himself and the institution."

The report says that, in making its recommendation, it only ever considered suspending or expelling Meredith, a married Pentecostal pastor from Richmond Hill.

Meredith's lawyer argued that he should be suspended from the Senate without pay for one to two years. But the ethics committee disagreed; the report slams Meredith for his "indifferent attitude" toward the Senate's investigation into the affair, which was exposed by the Star in 2015.

Only after the upper chamber's ethics officer found Meredith used his position to "lure or attract" the teenage girl into a sexual relationship did the senator acknowledge his "moral failings," the report says.

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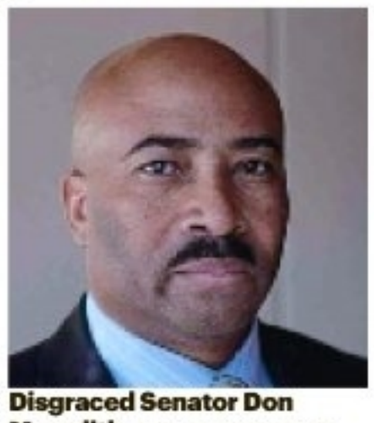

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GLOBAL DIGEST

600-year-old tree to become furniture
Remnants of a 600-year-old white oak tree in New Jersey that was believed to be among the oldest in the nation will become furniture. News 12 New Jersey reports the tree will be turned into altar tables for the church and meeting tables for Bernards town hall. The tree weighed 116,000 pounds and took two days to take down after it began showing rot and weakness. AP

A large branch is removed from a 600-year-old old oak tree. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Venezuelans block roads
People blocked streets in Caracas with broken concrete, twisted metal and flaming piles of trash Tuesday to protest the socialist president's bid to rewrite the constitution. President Nicolas Maduro signed a decree Monday to begin the process of rewriting the charter. Opposition leaders called it a ploy to put off regional elections scheduled for this year and a presidential election for 2018. AP

Number of Somalia's malnourished kids rising: UN
The United Nations children's agency says it has treated more than 56,000 severely malnourished children in Somalia so far this year, an increase of almost 90 per cent over last year. UNICEF pointed to the "triple threat of drought, disease and displacement" facing children in Somalia. Around 615,000 Somalis have been displaced by the drought since November. AP

Former U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton speaks at the Eighth Annual Women in the World Summit at Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts on April 6 in NYC. GETTY IMAGES

Clinton talks election loss

POLITICS

Misogyny played a role in votes, former candidate says

Hillary Clinton said Tuesday that she's taking responsibility for her 2016 election loss but believes misogyny, Russian interference and questionable decisions by the FBI also influenced the outcome.

The former Democratic presidential nominee offered extensive comments about the election during the Women for Women International's annual luncheon in New York. Clinton said she's been going through the "painful" process of reliving the 2016 contest while writing a book.

"It wasn't a perfect campaign. There is no such thing," Clinton said in a question-and-answer-session with CNN's Christiane Amanpour. "But I was on the way to winning until a combination of (FBI Director) Jim Comey's letter on Oct. 28 and Russian WikiLeaks raised doubts in the minds of people who were inclined to vote for me but got scared off."

She reminded the enthusiastic audience packed with women that she ultimately earned 3 million more votes than President Donald Trump.

"If the election were on Oct. 27, I would be your president," Clinton said.

She also highlighted Russia's role in hacking into her campaign's internal emails and subsequently co-ordinating their release on WikiLeaks. U.S. intelligence agencies are investigating whether Russia co-ordinated with Trump associates to influence the election.

Amanpour also asked Clinton whether she was a victim of misogyny.

"Yes, I do think it played a role," she said, adding that misogyny is "very much a part of the landscape politically, socially and economically."

After two unsuccessful presidential campaigns, Clinton is not expected to run for public office again.

"I'm now back to being an active citizen," she said.

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Government 'needs a good shutdown,' Trump tweets

President Donald Trump declared Tuesday the U.S. government "needs a good shutdown" to fix a "mess" in the Senate, signalling on Twitter his displeasure with a bill to keep operations running. But Republican leaders and Trump himself also praised the stopgap measure as a major accomplishment and a sign of his masterful negotiating with Democrats.

On the defensive, Trump and his allies issued a flurry of contradictory statements ahead of key votes in Congress on a $1.1 trillion spending bill to keep the government at full speed through September. After advocating for a future shutdown, the president hailed the budget agreement as a boost for the military, border security and other top priorities.

"This is what winning looks like," Trump said during a ceremony honouring the Air Force Academy football team. "Our Republican team had its own victory - under the radar," Trump said, calling the bill "a clear win for the American people."

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Europe trade deal to net 'modest' gains

Budget watchdog Jean-Denis Frechette at a House of Commons Finance committee on April 19, 2016. THE CANADIAN PRESS

EXPORTS

United States still the biggest market, budget watchdog says

Canada's free-trade pact with Europe is poised to produce "modest" economic gains that work out to an average annual income boost of $220 per Canadian, the federal budget watchdog says in a new report.

The parliamentary budget officer released a study Tuesday that estimates the trade deal would have lifted Canada's overall economic output in 2015 by 0.4 per cent or $7.9 billion, had it been implemented at the time.

Canadian exports of goods to the EU would have increased $4 billion, services would have been up $2.2 billion and investment would have grown by $3.1 billion, the analysis found.

But the report did put the overall projected improvement into perspective by noting that Canada boasts a $2-trillion economy.

"CETA will lead to some gains for Canada, but they will be modest," the report said, referring to the deal's full name: the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement.

Sectors including transport and motor vehicles, some metals and wheat will likely grow more quickly, the budget office predicted.

"With the signing of CETA, questions arise concerning the magnitude of the benefits and impacts, as well as how they will be distributed," said the report by Jean-Denis Frechette's office. "Liberalizing trade is intended to bring benefits through greater specialization ... but the impact on sectors could be uneven."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

E-COMMERCE

Shopify hitting its stride, CEO says

Shopify continued its growth trends in the first quarter of 2017 as the e-commerce firm signed up a record contingent of merchants who, in turn, are also selling more on the platform.

The Ottawa-based firm recorded revenues of $127.4 million for the quarter ending March 31, a 75 per cent increase from the same period a year ago.

Harley Finkelstein, Shopify's chief operating officer, told an investors' conference call that the company stayed quiet with a series of back-end improvements to its system for most of the quarter, with the notable exception of its Unite Conference held just a few weeks ago.

At its annual San Francisco gathering for partners and developers, the firm announced a number of new products and channels, including its first foray into hardware with a Shopify point-of-sale card reader.

Shopify shows strong revenue growth in the first quarter. OTTAWA BUSINESS JOURNAL

CEO Tobi Lütke said Shopify is a leader in the retail space, and no longer just a participant. "We've hit our stride as a public company," he told investors.

Despite its strong revenue growth, Shopify went deeper into the red, reporting a net loss of $13.6 million this past quarter, compared with $8.9 million a year earlier.

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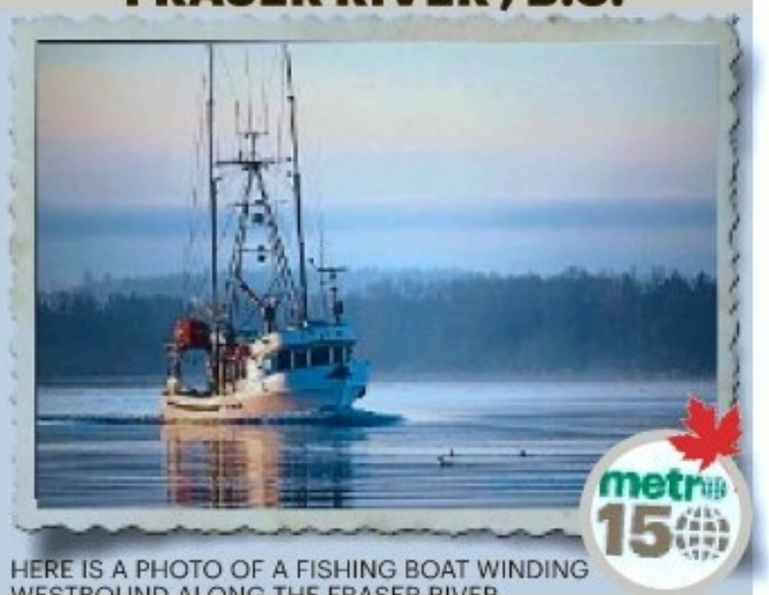

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JESSICA ALLEN ON FUNKY FASHIONS

Whether a wardrobe Warhol or sale-rack sartorialist, what one dons is always up for debate.

On Monday night I wore my new favourite grey jogging pants — men's polo, on sale at Bay Days — complete with a grease stain from Sunday night's Little Caesars pizza. I looked fabulous.

On Monday night Rihanna wore a series of floral discs formed into a Rihanna-shaped billow of an ensemble. She looked pretty good, too.

My inspiration was: just me, being on-brand. The inspiration for the pop star's outfit lives in the mind of Rei Kawakubo, the Japanese designer being feted Monday at the annual Met Gala.

Kawakubo, founder of the label Comme des Garçons, has said her early collections were "inspired by the loose and rustic garb of Japanese fishermen and peasants," in a 2005 New Yorker profile. She sometimes adds a third armhole, or eliminates them entirely because why not? It's fashion. And fashion is art.

And just like a $58.4-million sculpture of a balloon dog by Jeff Koons, clothing is easy to mock.

Like the luxury department store that is selling men's jeans for $425 that come caked with fake mud, for example.

What's even more mockable is the faux rugged trend is so last year: Golden Goose was selling a pair of $585 sneakers last summer that were made to look worn in and dirty. Some were even bound with duct tape. Social media compared the Italian company's shoes to the "Derelicte" line from Zoolander, which was inspired by homeless people.

Most of what we wear doesn't make a lot of sense.

Rihanna dons a "series of floral discs" at the Met Gala. GETTY IMAGES

This February "Derelicte" became reality at New York Fashion Week when the Japanese brand N. Hoolywood sent men down the runway in layered looks inspired by actual homeless people who, because they are homeless, wear all their clothes at once.

I have a laugh whenever I see people sporting $200 designer jeans shredded within an inch of their life, mostly over what I imagine the conversation sounded like in creating them. It takes place in a converted upper floor of a European palazzo and a designer — let's call him Dean Nichölass — is telling his colleague, Jacobim 2.0, that the idea is ludicrous because who will pay money for a defective product, Jacobin 2.0? But Jacobin 2.0 asks Dean Nichölass to trust him because these jeans are wild and cool and so primitive.

But millennials are fed up with old people like me making fun of their shredded pants. "If I had a nickel for every time a middle-aged man made a joke about my ripped jeans it wouldn't matter that baby boomers ruined the economy," author Katie Cotugno recently tweeted.

Come to think of it, finding a pair of sensible blue jeans without a hint of artificial patina isn't that easy. Same goes for men's dress shoes. The last time my partner Simon and I went shopping for his-and-hers double-strapped monk shoes, as couples are wont to do, most brands came prefaded.

I want my patina to come about naturally.

But while distressing may speak to our deep confusion about "authenticity," the reaction against it may tell us something more.

Most people regard trends in dressing as having some rational basis — as if a $240 Hermes tie makes sense because you have to distress it yourself.

The fact that a woman in ripped jeans and a pair of high heels is more likely to be chastised for the "impracticality" of her pants than her footwear should give us pause.

Be it pristine or pulped, most of what we wear doesn't make a lot of sense.

Like the pair of $2,000 culottes, marked down to just $600 that I recently passed over. They reminded me of a Renaissance tapestry. But I couldn't justify spending good money on a pair of pants that made me look like Spanky from Little Rascals.

I wish I had. They were super on-brand.

Jessica Allen is the digital correspondent on CTV's The Social.

VICKY MOCHAMA

The housing market is out to sea. So, how's the Wi-Fi on the water?

The federal government will be issuing its National Housing Strategy soon and I hope there are plans for the boat people.

You see, outrageous house prices may be forcing people off the land and onto the water.

At least, that's what a report to Vancouver city council states: "The affordable housing crisis in Vancouver appears to have resulted in more residents living on vessels, full-time."

You can't escape the signs of the housing crisis. I know more and more landlords and tenants are turning to Airbnb. I know that more of my friends are moving out to smaller, less expensive towns that require a commute to their city jobs. I know that my parents have steadily been increasing the volume on their multi-year sales pitch, "Why Rent Downtown When You Can Live With Us In The Suburbs?"

But I confess I hadn't thought of taking to the seas as an option.

It seems like an eccentric life choice that would not befit me, a person who will willingly go camping only if and when the zombies take over. However, with no relief in sight on rent and mortgages, it is worth considering now.

A major selling point: I could rightfully insist on being called Commodore.

And by all accounts, there's a thriving community on the water.

There are "grad students, tradespeople, office workers and at least one family raising young children," according to the National Post.

Vancouverites are not the first people to live on water. As a response to high-price housing, they're not even particularly innovative.

Many Londoners live in houseboats on the Thames. The Guardian reported in 2014 that there are officially 10,000 people living in residential boats. But the writer suggests there may be more, as most of the houseboats are ad-hoc and found by word of mouth.

For the joy of using a chemical toilet on the historic Thames, you can get a bunk for $640 Canadian.

You might inhale a bit of mould, but think of the savings. Increasingly, that's the risk of renting in major cities across Canada.

Before I found my current place that I can't really afford, I saw a lot of apartments. More than a few looked like the place where sadness goes to get sadder. One particularly egregious place looked ready-made for a kidnapper or a torturer. It cost half my salary.

I don't imagine our lakes and rivers will be full of economic migrants fleeing the land. Instead, as we're already seeing, more people will move further out of urban areas.

But for every couple of thousand people measuring their house in square metres, there will be a hardy few that measure theirs in nautical miles.

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Kylie Jenner broke the Met Gala's "no-selfie" rule Monday for a star-studded bathroom snap

Now we all scream for a little less ice cream

From top right: Instagram influencer and model Jennifer Broders posted that she waited an hour to try charcoal or "goth ice cream" at Little Damage in L.A.; rolled ice cream, a street-food speciality from Thailand; ube ice cream made from purple yams; ultra-trendy unicorn ice cream, complete with starry sprinkles; two-bite servings of Japanese mochi ice cream (centre).

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FOOD

Canada's love for treat cools but millennials may slow melt

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Judging by the lines around the block for the latest sweet treats and the number of preposterously decadent creations showing up under #icecreamporn on Instagram, you would never guess the ice cream business is really feeling a chill.

Canadians eat about half as much ice cream as we did 20 years ago.

In 1997, average consumption was 10.35 litres per person per year. In 2016, it was just 4.28 litres, according to StatsCan figures cited by the Canadian Dairy Information Centre.

"Everyone still loves ice cream, but we're eating it less often," said Kathy Perrotta, vice president of marketing at the polling firm Ipsos Canada. She tracks Canadians' eating habits in granular detail.

"What's driving the decline is ice cream from a box or a carton," but individual treats like juice bars are still selling well, she said.

Perrotta said ice cream is transitioning away from being primarily a family dessert that's bought in bulk and stored in the freezer in anticipation of a daily after-dinner treat.

Instead, it's a snack — which means it's in competition with everything from potato chips to yogurt, cookies and fruit. And it's losing out to all of them.

The notion of dessert in general is on the decline, Perrotta added.

Only 13 per cent of all dinners eaten in Canada, be they restaurant or home-cooked, include dessert. Ice cream sales have also taken a hit as concerns about children's sugar consumption have grown.

But that doesn't mean the ice cream business is heading into a deep freeze. Adults over 55 have continued the ice-cream-swilling habits of their youth. And 25 to 34-year-old urbanites are driving sales of single-serve cones and cups from ice cream parlours, Perrota said.

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> Kathy Perrotta, Ipsos Canada

Millennials' have a propensity to blow their growing wealth on whatever food is "the in thing" — and that could include the new, Instagram-worthy ice cream flavours Perrotta said have the potential to "reinvigorate" the category.

Sometimes, fads turn into long-term consumption habits, she added.

But for now, ice cream is being "pigeonholed" as a special occasion food.

Here are five extra-special ice cream trends you might want to seek out this summer:

Get the scoop on five hot new frozen trends

1 Mochi ice cream
Mochi ice cream resembles a snow-white or pastel-hued pizza pocket. Except instead of pizza filling, it contains ice cream, surrounded not by crust, but mochi, the sweet, chew Japanese candy made of pounded sticky rice.

2 Ube ice cream
The Filipino community deserves huge props for introducing the rest of the world to the creamy/earthy/nutty amazingness that is ice cream made with ube (purple yam). Bonus: Its delightful colour is all-natural.

3 Thai rolled ice cream
This melt-in-your mouth treat is formed into sheets, then rolled into spiral shapes like a crunchy-creamy frozen jelly roll. Flavours range from green tea to Oreo, and the toppings are limited only by your imagination.

4 Unicorn ice cream
Why would you want to eat something that's just one colour, when you can eat ice cream that is all the colours? Uber-trendy "unicorn" ice cream can be made with food colouring, or with pureed fruit for a more natural touch. It's typically topped with whipped cream, mini-marshmallows, "disco dust," (edible glitter), star-shaped sprinkles and a healthy helping of millennial nostalgia.

5 Charcoal ice cream
The charcoal trend is catching fire across the food industry; showing up in everything from beverages to pizza crust. Urbanites across North America are lining up for hours for the chance to try this matte black confection. You may think "goth" ice cream is pretty hard-core, but Finns got there first: They've been eating salty, jet-black salmiakki (liquorice) ice cream forever.

Brewing up a little bit of funk

Some funk can liven up your evening. No, we're not talking about Bruno Mars, but the artist known as Brettanomyces. Brett's original name is Latin for "British mushroom." Brewers know Brett as a yeast responsible for producing beers with an intriguing complexity often described as "barnyard," "horse blanket" or simply funk. But increasingly, craft breweries are using it to add a dose of complexity to their brews. Brett beers can be marvellous on their own as aperitifs. **JOSH RUBIN** TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Orval

This ale, brewed at a Trappist monastery in Belgium, is one of the most well-known Brett beers on the planet. It's a unique beer even among the full-of-character array of Trappist ales. Orval has a complex aroma and flavour, with hints of apricot, citrus peel and, yes, some barnyard funk. It's also got substantially more hop aroma than most Belgian beers, thanks to the use of an English technique called dry hopping, by which hops are added to the beer after brewing.

No less an authority than noted beer author Michael Jackson once came perilously close to calling it his favourite beer. Along with the funk — which increases with age — there's also more body to Orval than in most Brett beers. **(Approx. $3.45 per 330 mL bottle)**

Goose Island Sofie

Yes, yes. I know some craft beer folks have had a hate on for Goose Island ever since they were taken over by AB-InBev, which produces roughly one out of every three beers sold on the planet. But guess what? Goose Island still makes some good beer, including this one. Even though in some recent tastings it has seemed a touch less complex than it once was, it's still plenty respectable. If you are a hard-core funk lover already, you might want to consider offering this beer to someone who's experiencing the joys of Brett for the first time.

(Approx. $10.15 per 765 mL bottle)

Exchange Brewery Golden Ale

While this brewery in the heart of wine country (Niagara-on-the-Lake) makes decent examples of the usual suspects like IPAs, porters and wheat beers, it's this one which is the best of the range. One suspects that might be because Exchange's brewmaster Sam Maxbauer is a veteran of Michigan's Jolly Pumpkin brewery, which specializes in funky and sour brews. The pale, golden-coloured brew has a herbal aroma, with notes of mint and fresh-cut grass. Those notes also come through in the flavour, along with a bone-dry finish. This beer is the best pure expression of Brett character I've had in a long time.

(Approx. $13.50 per 750 mL bottle)

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BROADWAY

Tony joy for Come From Away

Come From Away received seven Tony nominations in all, including the prestigious best musical award. THE CANADIAN PRESS

The married co-creators of Come From Away were celebrating their six-year-journey from Gander, N.L., to the bright lights of Broadway on Tuesday as their uplifting, made-in-Canada theatrical production scored seven Tony Awards nominations, including a nod for best musical.

Come From Away is only the second Canadian-written show in the 71-year history of the Tonys to vie for best musical, following 2006's The Drowsy Chaperone, which won five awards.

"It's everything that we could have wished for and more, it's so incredible. And we're so proud to be telling this Canadian story and sharing with the world everything that we love about Canada and Newfoundland," said Regina-born, Saskatoon-raised co-creator David Hein from New York.

Come From Away is set in Gander in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 attacks. The remote East Coast town saw its population double in size as it sheltered 6,579 passengers and crew from planes diverted when U.S. air space was closed.

The feel-good musical will compete against Dear Evan Hansen, Groundhog Day: The Musical, and Natasha, Pierre & The Great Comet of 1812 for the prestigious best musical Tony.

Hein and his wife, Toronto-native Irene Sankoff, received two of the show's nominations, with nods for best book and best score of a musical.

"I did a sort of fist pump in the air. I was just so proud," said Sankoff. "I felt like I was at a sporting event and we scored the first goal. I'm not a sports person, but it felt like we were really in the game."

Jenn Colella, who plays real-life retired airline Capt. Beverley Bass, earned a Tony nomination in the best actress in a featured role in a musical category. Other Come From Away nominations included Christopher Ashley for best musical director, Howell Binkley for best lighting design in a musical, and Kelly Devine for best choreography in a musical.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

The real meaning behind mean Tweets

THE SHOW: #MoreThanMean (YouTube/Twitter/Facebook)
THE MOMENT: The swallowing

Julie DiCaro listens to hateful Tweets about herself. CONTRIBUTED

The camera cuts from Julie DiCaro, a sports broadcaster and columnist, to Sarah Spain, a sportswriter and radio/TV host. Each woman sits on a stool. On a stool opposite them, one by one, real guys read aloud — to their faces — real Tweets they've received. (The women are familiar with the Tweets. The men aren't.)

It starts simply enough: "Nagging wife," reads one. "Scrub muffin," reads another. Then the men get to this: "One of the players should beat you to death with their hockey stick like the whore you are."

The music drops out. As the men continue reading, the Tweets fill up with words like "b—" and "c—" and "hate-f—." The men begin apologizing. They swallow audibly. A producer in the background is heard urging, "Read them, they're just mean Tweets." By the time the men get to the final ones — "I hope you get raped again;" "I hope your boyfriend beats you" — they can't look the women in the eye.

This four-minute video recently won a 2017 Peabody Award for public service journalism. Its message is simple: Women in sports are harassed online just for doing their jobs. If you can't say something to someone's face, you shouldn't type it, either.

But its power lies in the clammy discomfort of the ordinary Joes reading the Tweets, as they struggle to absorb the volume of misogyny directed at women in sport — and indeed, women on line in general — as well as the casual entitlement with which it's delivered.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

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CR-V doesn't have to be sexy to sell

HANDOUT

REVIEW

What you see is what you get with the best in class crossover

Dan Ilika
AutoGuide.com

Like virtually every other version of the Honda CR-V since its introduction back in 1997, there's nothing sexy about the 2017 model. And like all its predecessors, that will do nothing to hinder sales. What you see is what you get with Honda's compact crossover, and what you see this time is a well-rounded package that has been improved on all fronts.

The big news here is the turbocharged 1.5-litre that's made its way under the CR-V's hood. The existing 2.4-litre engine is no longer available in Canadian-spec CR-Vs. Borrowed from the Civic, the 1.5-litre improves fuel economy only marginally. And the turbo engine doesn't feel quite as perky as it could, instead offering rather placid performance, the continuously-variable transmission it's been paired with should shoulder much of the blame.

While a little rigid and truck-like, the fourth-generation CR-V offers a tremendously smooth ride aided by its new suspension that features struts up front and a multi-link setup around back, and fluid-filled bushings at all four corners. Its cabin is also impressively quiet, a product, no doubt, of the active noise cancellation system that's standard.

The laundry list of standard and available features include a touchscreen infotainment system that features smartphone integration and the Honda Sensing safety suite, which includes adaptive cruise control, lane-keep assist and collision mitigation braking, among others. It's a package of safety tech that puts the CR-V on the same playing field as many of the premium offerings on the market.

Enlarged for 2017, the CR-V features even more room for cargo and rear seat passengers. Second-row legroom has jumped to an impressive 102.6 centimetres, while cargo volume has also grown, eclipsing the outgoing model's mark to hit 1,110 litres. That means more legroom in the backseat than the larger Honda Pilot — albeit the Pilot does accommodate a third row — while cargo volume isn't far from the Pilot with its third row folded away.

When it comes to pricing, the CR-V remains modest for what it offers. A base LX version is priced at a reasonable $26,690, though it only puts power to its front wheels, while a CR-V Touring with the full kit, including all-wheel drive, has a sticker price of $38,090. But perhaps most impressive about that top-trim pricing is that it undercuts the Kia Sportage, albeit only slightly, while including desirable features like adaptive cruise control.

Add it all up and the 2017 Honda CR-V brings all the necessary ingredients that are sure to keep it chugging along atop the segment for years to come.

THE CHECKLIST | 2017 HONDA CR-V

THE BASICS

Engine: 1.5-litre turbo four-cylinder
Output: 190 horsepower, 179 pound-feet of torque
Transmission: Continuously-variable automatic
Fuel Economy (l/100 km): 8.7 city, 7.2 hwy (turbo)
Price: Starts at $26,690

LOVE IT

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- Transmission clatter
- Rigid chassis

INNOVATION

Elon Musk's The Boring Company is anything but dull

Jason Siu
AutoGuide.com

Sooner or later we're going to have to take Tesla CEO Elon Musk's wild ideas seriously.

Musk is most known for running Tesla, an American automaker that has defied expectations to produce some of the most popular electric vehicles in the world. But Musk has several other ventures as well, with SpaceX being the most notable.

Musk seemingly defied all odds by not only landing a rocket at sea, but relaunching it and having it land successfully again. Some say that at the time Musk proposed the idea of reusing a rocket, it was very ambitious — but SpaceX has made it real.

So at some point, we have to stop doubting Musk, right? Well, now the eccentric CEO has spilled the details on his next venture called The Boring Company and we're back to being skeptical.

For a while, Musk has complained about traffic in Los Angeles. At first, it seemed like he was joking about the idea of digging a tunnel to make his commute easier. But then he posted pictures of a boring machine digging in the SpaceX parking lot and revealed his plans of creating a network with up to 30 levels of tunnels that could accommodate cars and trains.

Cars would enter at street level, be transported down to the tunnels via an elevator and slide around on platforms to their destinations. It looks like a giant slot car track, and the whole process would be automated and would require minimal driver intervention.

It sounds like science fiction, but The Boring Company has shared a video of the vision and what it hopes it can one day successfully execute. Essentially, it would be a network of tunnels underneath L.A. that cars could use to avoid surface-level traffic.

Like his other ideas, it may seem far-fetched, but if this becomes reality, it would change things forever. For those living in L.A., the idea of traveling up to 200 km/h underground without having to watch the road would be a dream come true.

Musk wants to build a network of tunnels under L.A. HANDOUT

Mitsubishi celebrates a century

AUTO NEWS

Uber wants flying taxis by 2020
Uber is looking to the future and wants to send taxis into the sky as early as 2020. The brand has plans for a fleet of small electric aircraft that can take off and land vertically, all while spewing zero emissions and little to no noise. Uber says travel time from San Francisco's Marina to downtown San Jose will be about 15 minutes, down from the roughly two hours it takes to drive. A price structure has been announced and Dallas and Dubai have been identified as launch cities. STEPHEN ELMER/AUTOGUIDE.COM

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MITSUBISHI

Blast from the past

Mitsubishi is celebrating its 100th birthday with a unique creation.

The Japanese automaker is teaming up with West Coast Customs to recreate the Mitsubishi Model A, the vehicle that started it all for the brand. It will look like the original 1917 vehicle but will ride on the platform underpinning the Outlander Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle, what Mitsubishi calls its most technologically advanced vehicle yet. The project will be built at the West Coast Customs facility in Burbank, Calif., and will be featured on an upcoming episode of Inside West Coast Customs. JASON SIU/AUTOGUIDE.COM

LEXUS

Car in a china shop

Lexus has teamed up with drift world champion Rhys Millen to showcase vehicle performance. A new video, The Crystal Gauntlet, has been released featuring the Lexus GS F, RC F and LC 500 doing stunts in a china shop full of Baccarat crystal. With Millen behind the wheel, the genuine crystal pieces managed to stay intact and unharmed. JASON SIU/AUTOGUIDE.COM

HYUNDAI

Coldest road trip

The Hyundai Santa Fe has become the first passenger car to cross the Antarctica. With Patrick Bergel, great-grandson of Sir Ernest Shackleton, behind the wheel, the historic trip took on special meaning: 100 years ago Shackleton was forced to abandon his expedition and the dream of becoming the first person to cross the coldest continent. JASON SIU/AUTOGUIDE.COM

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Ottawan Woods to take part in the Giro d'Italia

Mike Woods is headed to the Giro d'Italia.

The 30-year-old from Ottawa has been named to Cannondale-Drapac's team for the 100th version of the race which opens Friday in Sardinia. It marks his first Grand Tour.

The race concludes May 28 with a 28-kilometre time trial to Milan.

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Ronaldo hat trick gives Real Madrid semifinal edge

Cristiano Ronaldo scored a hat trick to lead Real Madrid to a commanding 3-0 win over city rival Atletico Madrid in the first leg of their Champions League semifinal on Tuesday.

Ronaldo scored with a header in the 10th minute, with a top-corner strike in the 73rd and from close-range in the 86th to give the defending champs a big lead going into next week's second leg at Atletico's Vicente Calderon Stadium.

Monaco hosts Juventus in the first leg of the other semifinal on Wednesday.

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Olympic mixed doubles curling trials set for Jan.

Canada's first Olympic mixed doubles curling trials will be held in Portage la Prairie, Man., in January.

The 18-team competition to determine Canada's representatives at the 2018 Winter Olympics will be held Jan. 3-7 at Stride Place, Curling Canada said Tuesday in a release.

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Orioles' Jones given apology after racial slurs

Boston Red Sox president Sam Kennedy is apologizing to Baltimore Orioles centre-fielder Adam Jones after fans at Fenway Park taunted him with racial slurs.

Kennedy apologized and said the organization was "sickened by the conduct of an ignorant few" Tuesday after Jones said someone also threw peanuts at him during Monday's game.

"It's unfortunate that people need to resort to this to degrade another human being," said Jones, who is black.

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'I felt sick to my stomach'

OPINION

Dan Robertson
For Metro

Once again, hockey fans sit on pins and needles while hoping for the best for Sidney Crosby.

Like many others, I am a big fan of the Pittsburgh Penguins captain, so when Matt Niskanen's head shot crumpled Canada's beloved No. 87 in Game 3 of the Penguins-Washington Capitals series, I felt sick to my stomach. There's no need to rehash Crosby's history of concussions; hockey fans are well aware.

After watching the replay multiple times, I am again left with a nagging question that I've had for years: why are players allowed to cross-check?

Matt Niskanen is not a dirty player. The play happened in a split second and I don't believe that he was head hunting. But his natural reaction when Crosby came toward him was to deliver a cross-check. That's because at all levels of hockey, defencemen are permitted to cross-check.

The next time you watch a game, watch the defencemen using their stick to cross-check opposing forwards in the back. Why is that allowed? I'm not blaming referees for not calling penalties in those situations in the NHL because it's been accepted forever, although it's not nearly as dangerous for a forward to stand in the crease as it once was.

If the NHL wants to cut down on stick work, they need to make officials enforce the rules. Any cross-check, regardless of the force behind it, needs to be called a penalty whether it's in the regular season or the playoffs.

That would encourage defencemen to 'push' opposing forwards without using the stick for leverage. Yes, it would fundamentally change the way defenceman play their position, especially around the net. It would take some time for them to adjust and would likely result in more power plays and in forwards getting more prime chances in close. Maybe that would result in more goals, which the NHL could desperately use but that's beside the point. Player safety needs to be first and foremost.

The bottom line is that this has to stop.

In Game 5 of the Montreal Canadiens-New York Rangers series, Brendan Smith cross-checked Habs forward Andrew Shaw in the jaw. He was not penalized; Shaw suffered the second concussion of the season and could not play in Game 6, Montreal's final game of the season.

Smith's cross-check appeared to be blatant and Shaw didn't go down. Maybe if he had, Smith would've been penalized.

Maybe Smith wasn't penalized or fined because Shaw isn't a star like Crosby. It doesn't matter.

Regardless of the circumstances, the NHL has to get serious about head shots and stick work. Whether or not Niskanen meant to hit Crosby in the head is irrelevant.

The damage has been done and it will keep happening until changes are made.

Dan Robertson has been the play-by-play voice of the Montreal Canadiens for the past three seasons. He grew up in Trenton, N.S.

Pittsburgh Penguins star Sidney Crosby takes a hit from the Washington Capitals' Matt Niskanen during the first period of Game 3 in their NHL Eastern Conference semifinal series in Pittsburgh on Monday night. GENE J. PUSKAR/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WHAT NEXT?

- Crosby will miss Game 4 on Wednesday night. There is no timetable for his return.
- The league decided against holding a hearing to determine whether the hit should be subject to review.

LeBron James gets past De-Marre Carroll to score a layup in Cleveland on Monday.
TONY DEJAK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA PLAYOFFS

Casey's message to Raps: Cavs are human too

Dwane Casey wants his players to stop giving LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers so much respect.

A day after the Raptors were thrashed by Cleveland in the opening game of the Eastern Conference semifinals, the coach's message to his team Tuesday was simple: the Cavs are human.

"They're a good team, we know that. But we're a good team, too, had the same record (51-31)," Casey said. "We have to go in with that confidence, that feeling of understanding say 'Hey look, they put their pants on one leg at a time, too. One shoe at a time.' I haven't seen 'em jump in and pull them up at the same time.

"So we've got to go in with that belief, that understanding. And I have a belief that we'll play better and get to that next gear the next game."

51-31

The Raptors' record during the regular season was the same as the Cavaliers.

The Raptors battle the Cavs in Game 2 at Quicken Loans Arena on Wednesday before the series heads home to Toronto for Games 3 and 4.

James made like the cruel cat toying with a mouse en route to 35 points and 10 rebounds on Monday night. Whether it was his fake sideline beer-swigging, or his alley-oop dunk off the backboard, his hijinx conjured images of the Harlem Globetrotters.

Was DeMar DeRozan bothered by how the Cavs had fun at the Raptors' expense?

"That's them, man. Every team that LeBron has been on, they did some type of whatever," he said. "We can't get caught up in that or making that part of the game. We gotta understand that we can go out there and control what we control and that's for us to get a win."

The Raptors spent Tuesday morning dissecting video from the 116-105 loss. Kyle Lowry was asked: did he like anything he saw? "I liked that we had opportunities to be better. That's what I did like," Lowry said.

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MAKE IT TONIGHT

Light Lemon Linguini

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

Lighten up a pasta dinner with this creamy yet bright citrus dish. Works as a main course or, with a smaller portion, as satisfying side.

Ready in 25 minutes
Prep Time: 5 minutes
Cook Time: 20 minutes
Serves: 4

Ingredients
- 1 500-gram package of linguini or spaghetti
- 3 lemons juiced (1 zested)
- 6 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese, grated
- handful of basil, washed and sliced into strips
- salt and pepper to taste

Directions

1. Cook pasta according to package instructions.

2. Scoop out about a cup of the water before draining.

3. While pasta is cooking mix lemon juice, zest, oil, Parmesan in a bowl.

4. Place drained pasta back into pot. Pour the sauce over the pasta and toss well until the cheese melts and each strand of pasta is well coated.

5. You can add a bit of cooking water if you need to loosen up your sauce. Add in the basil and toss again. Serve with a sprinkle of Parmesan

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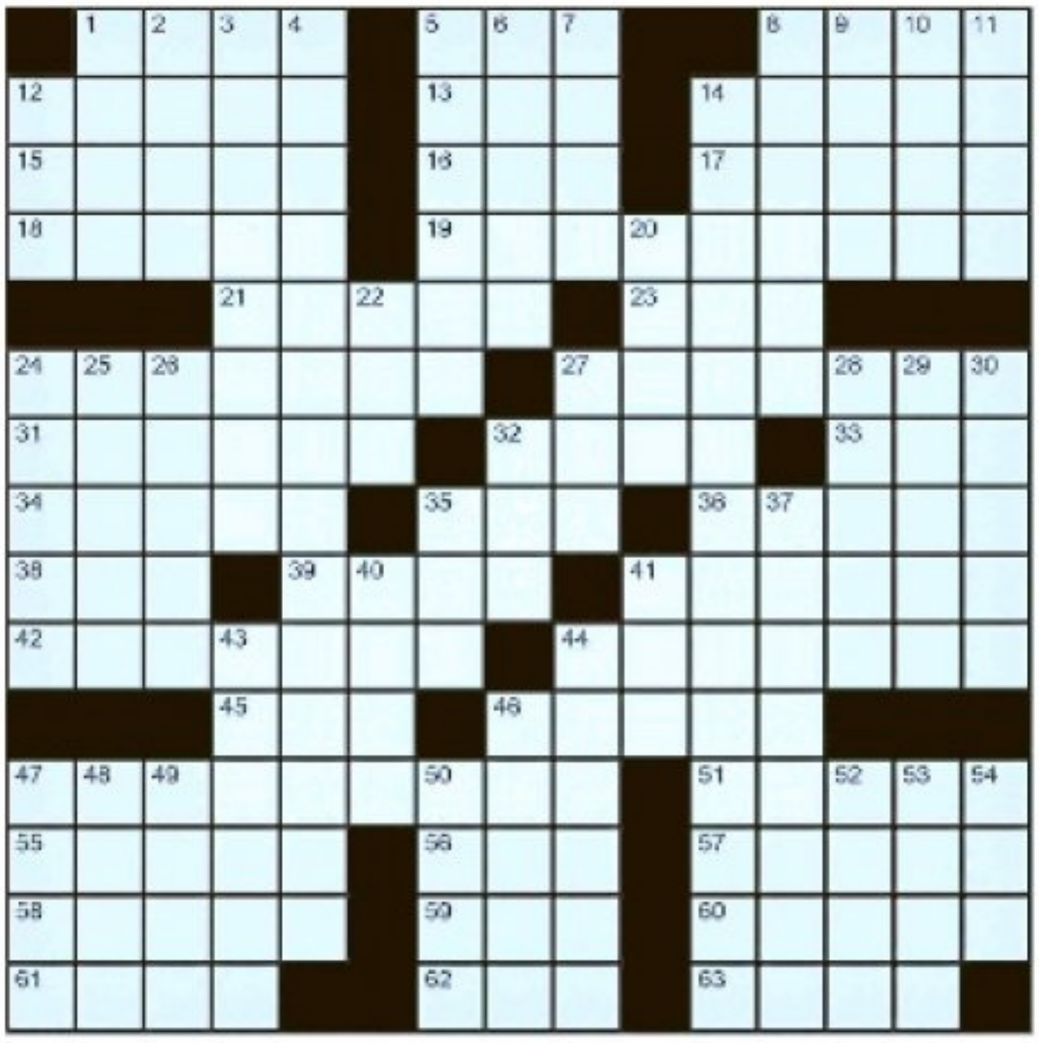
CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



ACROSS
1. Train-catching frequency, __ day
5. Getaway
8. Stubby pencils
12. Swiss currency
13. _-de-France
14. Waiting for __ (Samuel Beckett play)
15. "True Blood" star Stephen
16. Mr. Bellamy
17. Irish rebel Rory
18. "Thong Song" singer
19. As it doesn't orbit our Sun, #37-Down is known as a what?
21. Crate warning, '__ Hooks'
23. Ms. Lupino
24. Some sentences
27. Scale the ladder: 2 wds.
31. Chest 'beaters'
32. Opinion __
33. Time off, slang-style
34. Sch. subject
35. Mr. Hanks
36. Eye-related prefix
38. Lay backyard turf
39. Ms. Falco
41. 'A Heath.' is where it takes place in Macbeth: wd. + Roman Numeral
42. Sees to it
44. Like one's gut during stressful times: 2 wds.
45. 'Beat' suffix
46. Encourage/elevate
47. Has reached the destination as a parcel
51. The Congo's former name
55. De-pencil the paper
56. Will Smith title role
57. _ space
58. Not major
59. Hr. bit
60. Rock '_' _
61. Mr. Connery
62. Observe
63. One, in Hamburg

DOWN
1. "Star Trek: The Next Generation" counselor Deanna
2. Manners
3. Thirty-two ounces equivalent: 2 wds.
4. Where Levis is situated in relation to Quebec City: 3 wds.
5. Classic fabrics
6. "Hawaii Five-O" star, __'Loughlin
7. Beatles: "Love __"
8. Respectfully negative response to the lady: 2 wds.
9. Japanese cuisine noodle
10. Drill hole
11. Proofreading term
12. Radio stations, e.g.
14. The newly-discovered world at #37-Down is located within this 'habitable' area of the red dwarf star that it orbits: 2 wds.
20. Medicine tablet
22. poet mr. cummings, et al.
24. Stage
25. Wading bird
26. Airborne attacks
27. URL ending
28. Canadian actor Mr. Gerussi
29. Still not rented
30. Manitoba and New Brunswick, e.g.
32. Edgar Allan Who?
35. Olde-style word
37. As per #14-Down and #19-Across, it's approximately four light years away from Earth, Proxima __ b
40. Dog's playful move
41. __-Caps (Candy brand)
43. Celine Dion song
44. Wounds solution
46. Negate
47. GOP rivals
48. Great Lake
49. Ms. Turner
50. NFL team
52. "Turn __ __!" (Let's watch TV)
53. Fam. members
54. Schubert's The __-King

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
You are in a generous mood. This is why you will be giving toward others and yourself. You might buy something luxurious!

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Your feelings with others are gentle and cooperative today. This largely is because you are very tuned-in and sensitive to the needs of others.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Mysticism and esoteric teachings might appeal to you today. Your activities will involve things that are going on behind the scenes.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
If you can help a friend in need today, you will be glad to do so. It's possible that you also will be helped by a friend, because this can work both ways.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Someone in a position of authority might help you today. This is why you view this person as generous and compassionate.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Because your appreciation of beauty is heightened today, you will enjoy beautiful places and the arts and crafts of other cultures. Give yourself a chance to do this.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You feel sympathetic toward someone less fortunate today, which is why you will do whatever you can to help. This is a good thing. Never miss an opportunity to practice kindness.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
This is a good day to mend broken fences or to reach out to someone if things have been stressful. People feel warm and sympathetic toward each other.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You will find that working with coworkers will be a positive experience today, because all parties will want to get along. For some reason, people want to go that extra step to help each other.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Artists and anyone involved in artistic projects will be productive today, because they are in touch with their creative energy.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
This is a good day for a warmhearted family discussion, because people feel sympathetic toward each other. Everyone will want to pitch in and help someone who needs it.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
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